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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re New National Phase Application of)
 Kazuo IMAMURA et al.)
 International Application No. PCT/JP98/05311) Attn: US/DO/EO
 International Filing Date: November 25, 1998)
 For: FIBER GRATING AND METHOD)
 AND APPARATUS FOR)
 FABRICATING THE SAME) Date: May 26, 2000

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please enter the following Amendment prior to calculating the filing fee
 for the present application:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-19 and add new claims 20-38 as follows:

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